

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

By the present amendment, claims 3-5, 11-13, 18, 29-31 and 33-35 have been amended in order to remove the multiple dependencies. Use claims 19-28 have been cancelled and new method claims 37-46 have been added which find support in previous claims 19-28.

The amendments to the claims have been made without prejudice. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue any of the deleted subject matter in a further divisional, continuation or continuation-in-part application. No new matter has been added by way of this amendment and its entry is respectfully requested.

Sequence Listing

In order to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825, the Applicants are filing (1) a Sequence Listing in paper form; (2) a Sequence Listing in computer readable form (a 3.5" floppy diskette) in the ASCII format and (3) a statement (set forth below) that the paper form and the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing are the same. The Sequence Listing has been amended from the PCT version in order to update the Background Information. No new matter has been added by way of this amendment and its entry is respectfully requested.

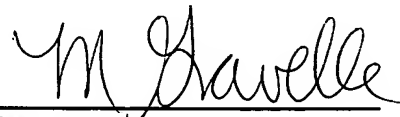
In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825 the undersigned verifies that the paper form of the Sequence Listing and the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith are the same.

Additionally, if further amendments are required to the Sequence Listing in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371, Applicants respectfully request that the undersigned be contacted immediately.

Fees

Please find attached our cheque no. 8554 in the amount of \$900.00, in respect of (1) the Filing, Search and Examination fees of \$500.00 (small entity), and (2) the claim fees of \$400.00 for 16 claims over 20 (small entity).

Respectfully submitted,

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